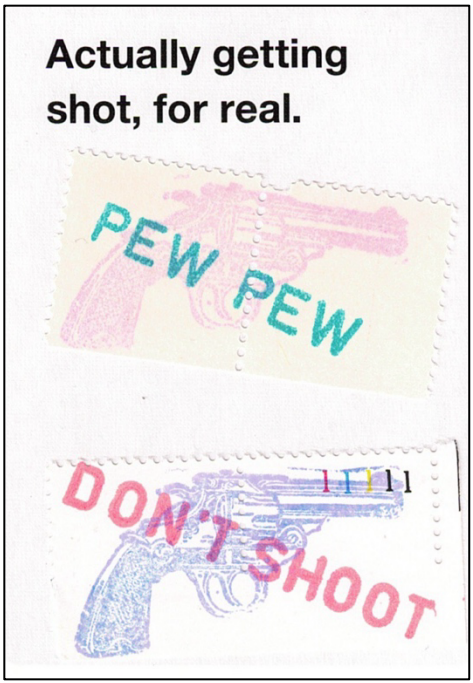

a questionable cultural legacy

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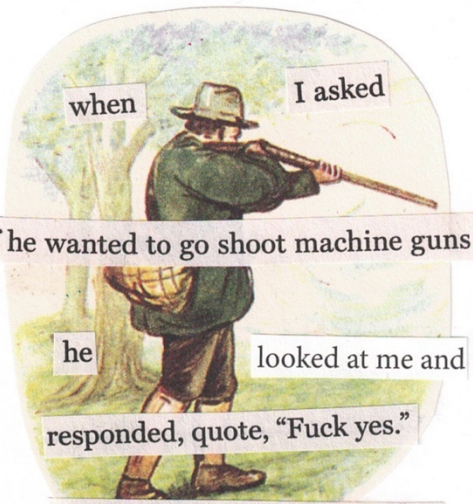
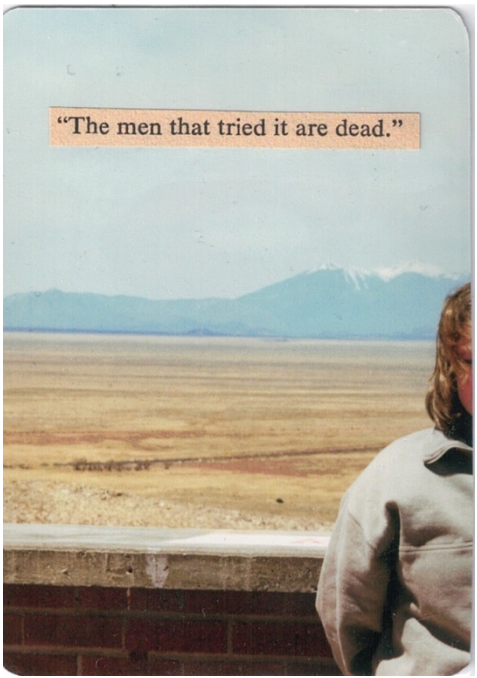
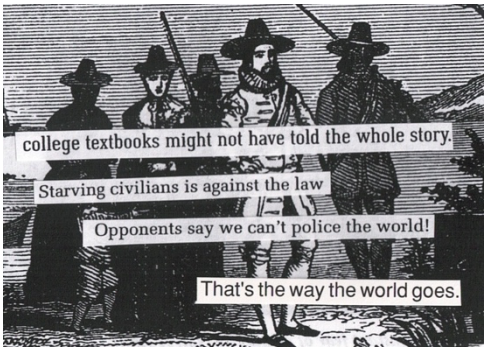
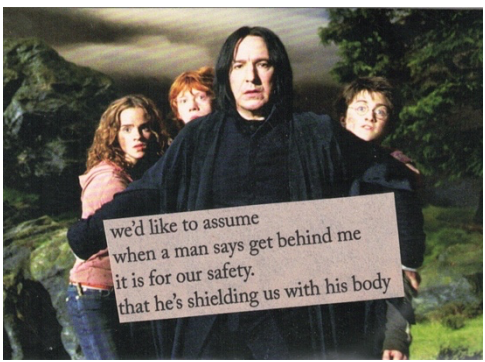
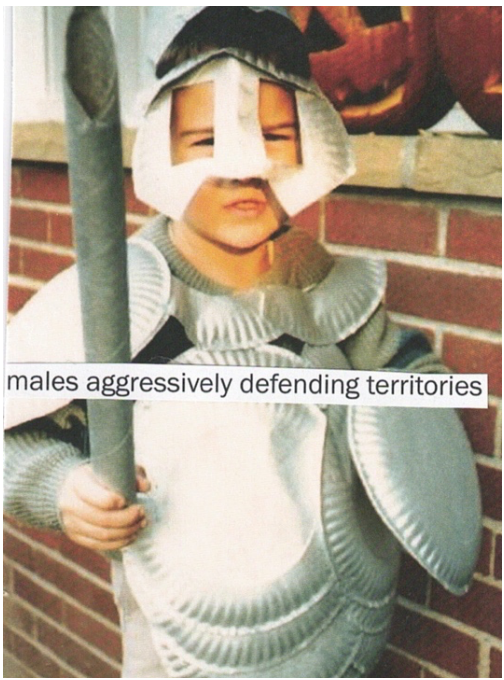


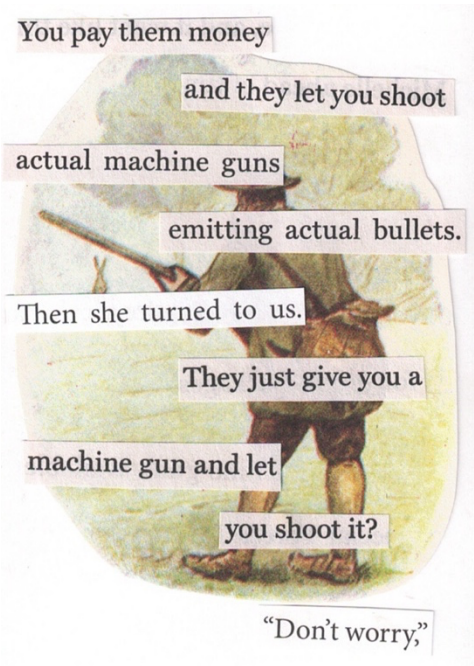
And then he shoots—BANG!

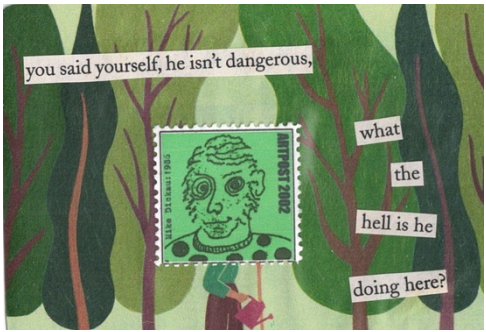

"The men that tried it are dead."


college textbooks might not have told the whole story.
Starving civilians is against the law
Opponents say we can't police the world!
That's the way the world goes.


we'd like to assume
when a man says get behind me
it is for our safety.
that he's shielding us with his body


males aggressively defending territories


You pay them money
and they let you shoot
actual machine guns
emitting actual bullets.
Then she turned to us.
They just give you a
machine gun and let
you shoot it?
"Don't worry,"


you said yourself, he isn't dangerous,
what
the
hell is he
doing here?
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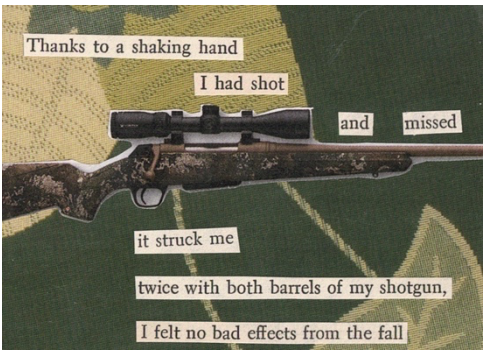
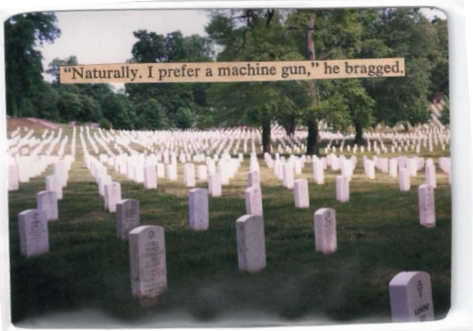
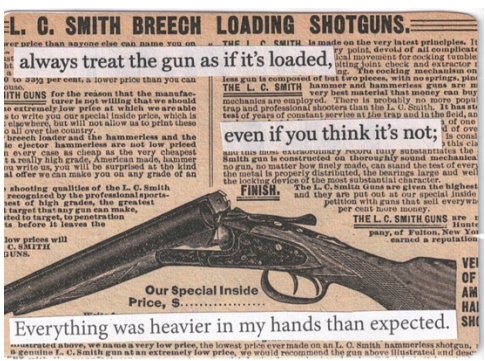
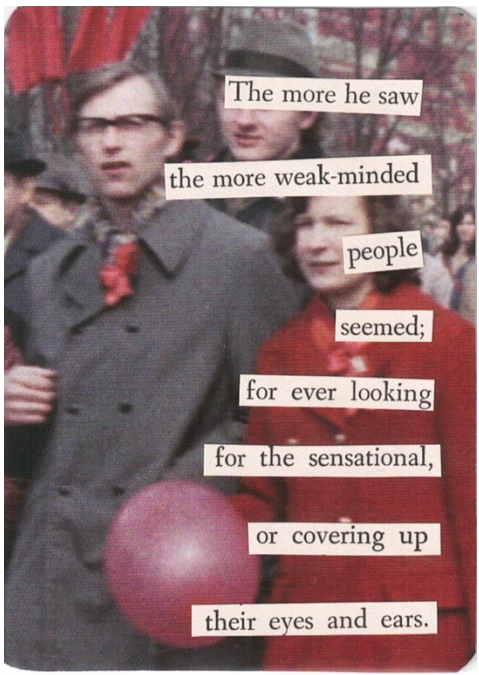

Thanks to a shaking hand
I had shot
and
missed
it struck me
twice with both barrels of my shotgun,
I felt no bad effects from the fall

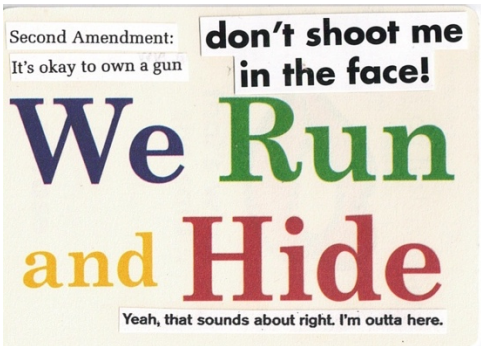
females
tend to display
a baffling lack
of enthusiasm
for violent destruction.

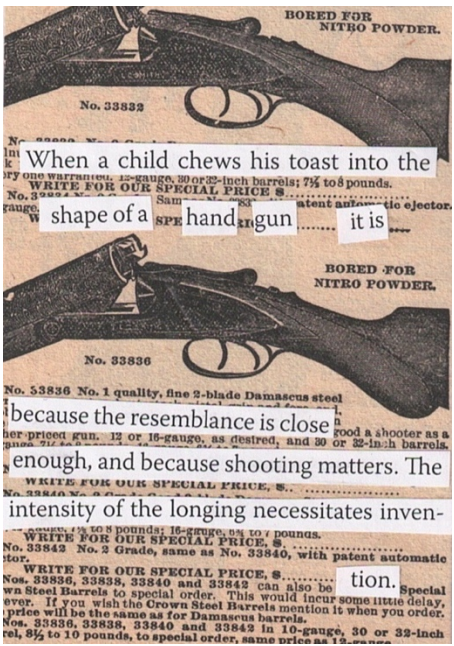

"Naturally. I prefer a machine gun," he bragged.


L. C. SMITH BREECH LOADING SHOTGUNS.
always treat the gun as if it's loaded,
even if you think it's not;
FINISH.
Our Special Inside Price, $.....
Everything was heavier in my hands than expected.


The more he saw
the more weak-minded
people
seemed;
for ever looking
for the sensational,
or covering up
their eyes and ears.

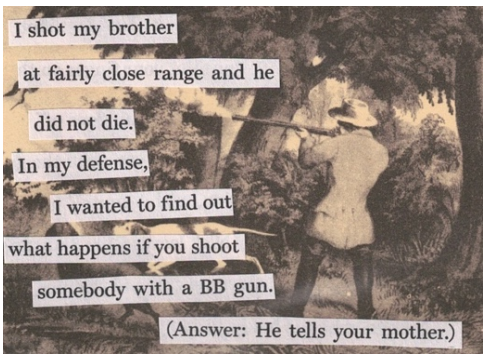
Run, run.
We can help.

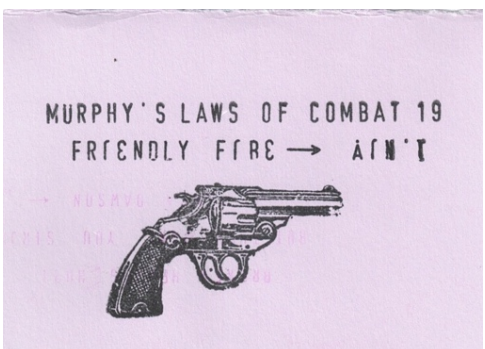

Second Amendment:
It's okay to own a gun
don't shoot me in the face!
We Run and Hide
Yeah, that sounds about right. I'm outta here.

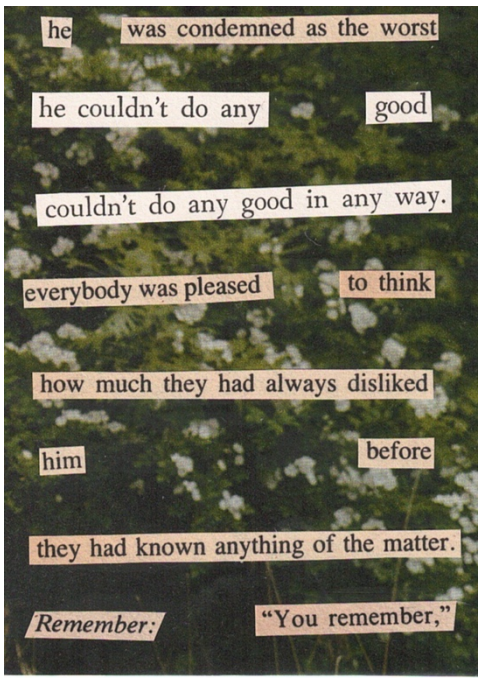

BORED FOR
NITRO POWDER.
No. 33832
WRITE FOR OUR SPECIAL PRICE, $.....
BORED FOR
NITRO POWDER.
No. 33836
No. 53836 No. 1 quality, fine 2-blade Damascus steel
No. 33842 No. 2 Grade, same as No. 33840, with patent automatic
WRITE FOR OUR SPECIAL PRICE, $.....
Nos. 33836, 33838, 33840 and 33842 can also be
Special
Nos. 33836, 33838, 33840 and 33842 in 10-gauge, 30 or 32-inch

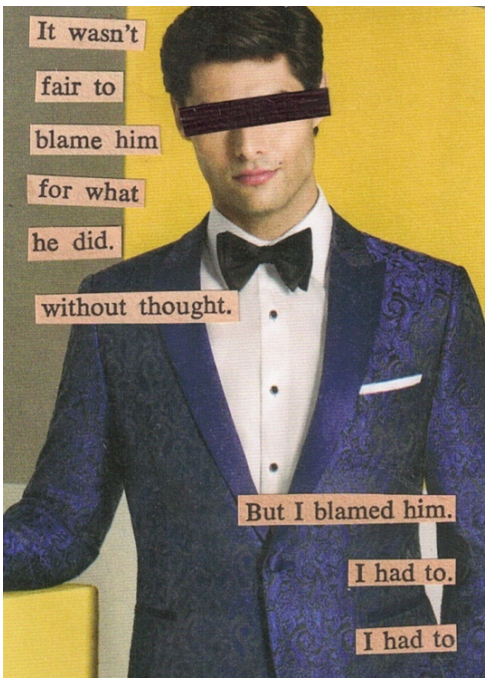
When a child chews his toast into the shape of a hand gun it is because the resemblance is close enough, and because shooting matters. The intensity of the longing necessitates invention.

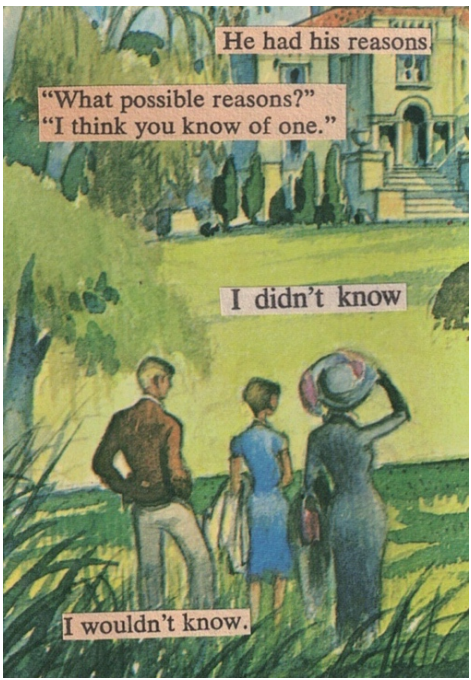
getting out of control


I shot my brother
at fairly close range and he
did not die.
In my defense,
I wanted to find out
what happens if you shoot
somebody with a BB gun.
(Answer: He tells your mother.)

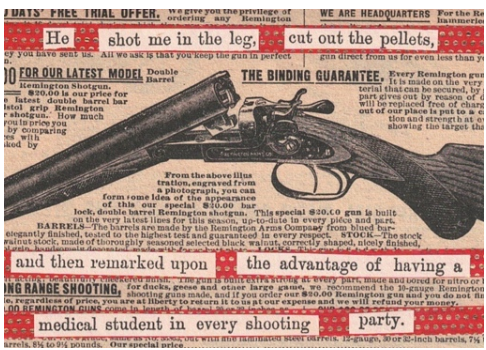

MURPHY'S LAWS OF COMBAT 19
FRIENDLY FIRE →


he was condemned as the worst
he couldn't do any good
couldn't do any good in any way.
everybody was pleased to think
how much they had always disliked
him before
they had known anything of the matter.
Remember: "You remember,"


It wasn't
fair to
blame him
for what
he did.
without thought.
But I blamed him.
I had to.
I had to


He had his reasons.
"What possible reasons?"
"I think you know of one."
I didn't know
I wouldn't know.

guns don't kill people.
people with guns
kill people.


DAYS' FREE TRIAL OFFER.
We give you the privilege of ordering any Remington
WE ARE HEADQUARTERS
He shot me in the leg, cut out the pellets,
FOR OUR LATEST MODEL Double Barrel
Remington Shotgun.
$20.00 is our price for
latest double barrel bar
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by comparing
with
ked by
THE BINDING GUARANTEE.
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and then remarked upon the advantage of having a
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regardless of price, you are at liberty to return it to us at our expense and we will refund your money.
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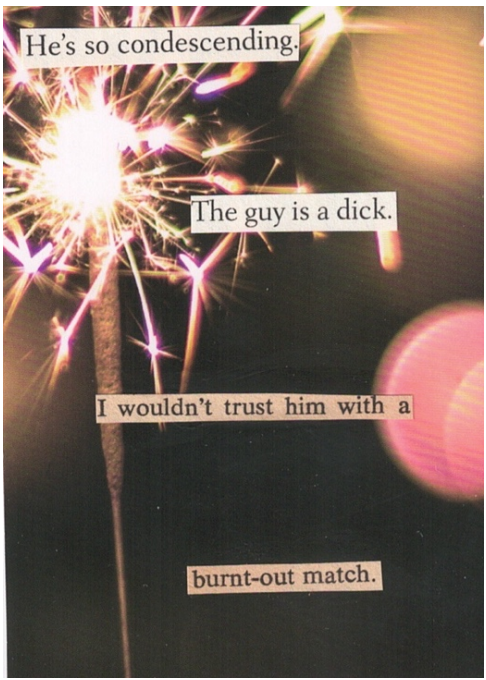
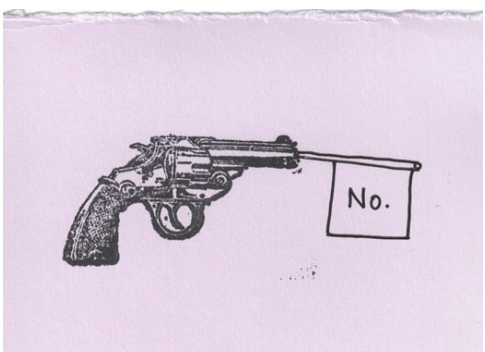

He's so condescending.
The guy is a dick.
I wouldn't trust him with a
burnt-out match.

For enhanced manliness, you can
PARKER BREECH LOADING SHOTGUNS
play
with
handguns.
what to say.
it might be fun to say I actually fired a Glock.
ARKER IS MADE OF THE BEST MATERIAL MONEY CAN BUY.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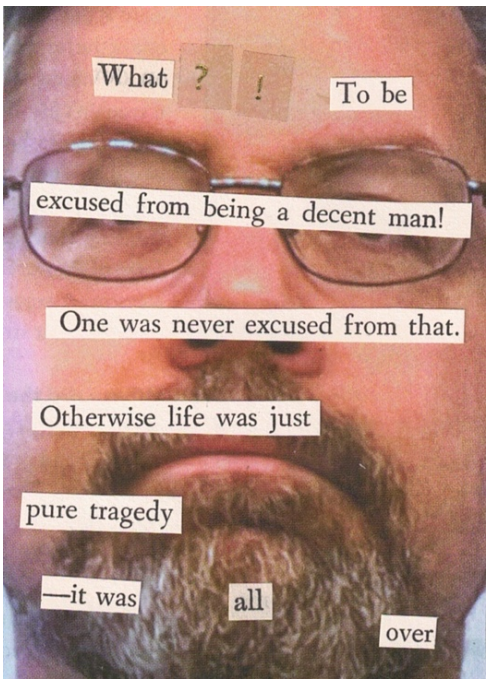
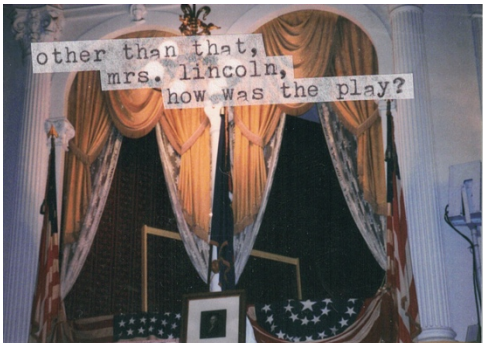

What ? !
To be
excused from being a decent man!
One was never excused from that.
Otherwise life was just
pure tragedy
—it was
all
over



the beatrix potter / dave barry mash-up that you didn't know you needed